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ABSTRACT

Recommendations based on the two-and-a-half-year history of The Demonstration Center for Language Handicapped (LH) Children are reported. Noted are such recommendations as the following: that each school district develop its own operational definition of LH based on the state definition, adding the concept of significant discrepancy between learning potential and performance as determined by developmental age and expectation for remediation; and that a consultant team of medical specialists be available to the educational planner as needed, but that a mandatory physical examination not be required for LH children. The center's philosophy is discussed with reference to such topics as its commitment to the Texas Education Agency, academic performance, decentralization, and staff development. Evaluated are the center's procedures related to participating school districts, project organization, comparative research, project staff, inservice training, consultants, and evaluation procedures. The following productions of the center are described: the Language Center Handbook, quarterly reports, statistical reports, research monographs, activity reports, and materials required for project operations. Implications of language and learning disability programing are drawn for special and mainstreamed educational services. Materials used for project operations, including appraisal and instructional materials, program evaluation forms, procedural guidelines, conceptual models, and research designs are attached. (GW)

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Recommendations

The purpose of this section is to present to the Texas Education Agency a concise list of recommendations, based on both objective and subjective data, derived from the two-and-one-half year study of The Demonstration Center for Language-Handicapped Children (The Language Center).

Recommendation One: That each school district develop its own operational definition of language handicap based upon the state definition, adding the concept of significant discrepancy between learning potential and performance as determined by developmental age and expectation for remediation.

The basic state definition becomes operational by encompassing the child's developmental age and expectation for remediation. For example, at the kindergarten level, a child's abilities and disabilities are only just emerging; at best a child at this age may be defined as "potentially language-handicapped" with good expectation for remediation. At the primary level, language handicaps are more readily detected and the expectation for remediation remains good. At the intermediate level, language problems are more severe and have become compounded with personal problems, such as educational frustration, poor self-concept, or negative attitude toward school, which lead to poor expectation for remediation. Refer to: *Research Design and Results; Research Monograph Vol. 1, No. 3.*

Recommendation Two: That well planned inservice education for all personnel precede the introduction of a program for

language-handicapped children and that this be a continuing activity at all levels.

This training should provide opportunities for all personnel-- administrators, counselors, classroom teachers, special education teachers, and teacher aides. Such an inservice program is contained in the Language Center Handbook submitted to the Texas Education Agency. Refer to: *Research Monographs Vol. 1, Nos. 2, 5, 10; Vol. 2, Nos. 4, 7.*

Recommendation Three: That local school districts certify (above provisional and professional endorsement) teachers of language-handicapped children based on an approved list of competencies required for the special program needs of the district.

The current stress on myriad special certification requirements is unwarranted. The "teacher generalist" with appropriate and continuing inservice education possesses the necessary skills to teach language-handicapped children effectively. Refer to: *Research Monograph Vol 2, No. 7; Language Center Handbook.*

Recommendation Four: That screening procedures, ARD (Admission, Review, and Dismissal committee) activities, appraisal procedures, educational planning activities, and assignment of support services be decentralized to the local campus.

Decentralization will facilitate four essential aspects of a successful program for language-handicapped children:

- . Communication between teachers and support service personnel.
- . Rapid delivery of services.

- . Involvement of building principals.
- . Appropriate staff development.

Moreover, the purpose of appraisal and educational planning is to communicate new teaching strategies to the teacher; this is most effectively accomplished when one person rather than a team of appraisal specialists performs the task. Appraisal specialists outside of education are often unable to translate their findings into support that is relevant to classroom practices. Refer to: *Research Monographs Vol. 1, No. 3; Vol. 2, Nos. 4, 5; Language Center Handbook.*

Recommendation Five: That frequencies reported in the Language Center study be considered by the Texas Education Agency when citing the incidence of language-handicapped children.

In districts representative of the public schools of Texas, the incidence of language disability was found to be approximately twenty-five percent for kindergarten grades, fifteen percent for primary grades, and eleven percent of intermediate grades. Refer to: *Research Monograph Vol. 1, No. 3.*

Recommendation Six: That a consultant team of medical specialists be available to the educational planner as needed, but that a mandatory physical examination not be required for language-handicapped children.

Although there is educational justification for requiring routine physical examinations for language-handicapped children, intensive appraisal by a multi-disciplinary team which includes pediatricians and

neurologists appears to contribute no more to the educational planning for a language-handicapped child than the information contained in the cumulative folder. Refer to: *Research Design and Results; Research Monograph Vol. 2, No. 4.*

Recommendation Seven: That the language-handicapped child remain unidentified to the classroom teacher until adequate special support services become available to the teacher.

Identifying a child as language-handicapped without providing special support services to the teacher adversely affects the child's academic progress. Refer to: *Research Design and Results.*

Recommendation Eight: That a school district provide more than one instructional arrangement for teaching language-handicapped children, with instruction and staff assignment flexible enough to provide for different learning styles.

The particular learning style of a language-handicapped child should be given primary consideration in making assignments to a special instructional arrangement. Additionally, the school size, staff availability, and building design are factors that can influence these arrangements.

Student achievement appears to be enhanced when instructional goals are broken into small, well-defined steps, each requiring a specific, measurable student performance. Even one year of special intervention appeared to have positive effects on achievement during students' first year back in the regular classroom. Regardless of the instructional arrangement for the language-handicapped child, the

non-language-handicapped child in the same room continued to achieve at his normal rate. Refer to: *Research Design and Results; Language Center Handbook.*

Recommendation Nine: That teacher aides be assigned to teachers working with language-handicapped children.

Pupil performance increases significantly when an aide, assigned to a teacher, spends a majority of time supporting instructional activities. Refer to: *Research Design and Results; Research Monographs Vol. 2, Nos. 3, 4, 5.*

Recommendation Ten: That the state accounting system be modified to facilitate student transition in and out of programs so that a minimum of paper work is required for audit trails.

The constraints imposed upon Special Education staffs by lengthy data gathering and required authorizations tend to discourage administrators and teachers from moving swiftly to provide needed special assistance for children. Adoption of this recommendation will facilitate implementation of other recommendations.

Recommendation Eleven: That further research be conducted in the following areas:

- . *Differences between educational characteristics of language-handicapped students and "normal" students.*
- . *Differences between characteristics of language-handicapped children who demonstrate academic progress in special programs and those who do not.*
- . *Effects of teacher characteristics upon the academic achievement of language-handicapped children.*
- . *Effects of teacher-pupil ratio under different instructional arrangements.*

Operational History

The Demonstration Center for Language-Handicapped Children (The Language Center) came into being as a result of the growing concern of parents and educators over the debilitating effects of specific language disabilities on the academic success of school children. This concern led to state legislative action which eventually authorized the establishment of two demonstration centers for language-handicapped children. Both centers were charged with the responsibility of developing an effective and flexible public school program for children with language handicaps that could be implemented in any school district in the state of Texas.

For two-and-a-half years, The Language Center has documented and submitted to the Texas Education Agency research developments and findings in the form of quarterly progress reports. The purpose of this document is to present an historical account of The Language Center. Included is a summary description of:

- . . The events which led to the formulation of the Language Center.
- . . The basic philosophy which guided all research and management decisions.
- . . The procedures generated by this philosophy.
- . . The products of The Language Center.
- . . The implications for education and research.

Background

The Secretary's (H.E.W.) National Advisory Committee on Dyslexia and Related Reading Disorders, chaired by Dr. Arleigh Templeton, estimated that 15% of American children, who were otherwise able to learn,

experienced difficulty in learning to read, and that "this difficulty is of sufficient severity to impair seriously the overall learning experience of these students and their ultimate usefulness and adaptability to a modern society." The Committee identified the factors contributing to such disability as both numerous and complex, but limited its attention to "the problems manifested by those individuals who, in spite of apparently adequate intelligence and emotional stability, exhibit difficulties in learning to read within a teaching program that proves effective for most children."

Texas legislation. Not only were the implications staggering in terms of human lives, but also in terms of economic impact on the state's educational system. If only one out of twenty public school children were retained a grade as a result of reading deficiency, the cost to the state was estimated to be as much as \$75,000,000. The enormity of the problem spurred the Texas Legislature to authorize legislation which eventually led to the development and sponsorship of The Language Center.

Legislative action began in 1965 when the 59th Legislature appointed a special committee to study the problem of language disabilities with parents, educators, and other interested citizens. The Speaker's Symposium on Specific Language Disabilities was a direct outcome of this study.

In 1967, the committee submitted its report to the 60th Legislature, which resulted in the passage of House Bill 156. This bill authorized the governor to appoint a twelve member Advisory Council for Language-Handicapped Children. The purpose of the Council was to

examine the problems of language-handicapped children and to advise the State Board of Education, the Commissioner of Education, and the Texas Education Agency on the development of programs designed to diagnose and treat problems of language-handicapped children. The bill further directed the Agency, with the advice of the Council, to

- . . Establish at least three regional, experimental, diagnostic facilities.
- . . Develop rules, regulations, and guidelines governing the operation of the experimental facilities.
- . . Seek the advice and cooperation of all appropriate public and private agencies and institutions.
- . . Seek and accept grants to finance research.

This bill was extended in 1969 by the 61st Legislature through House Bill 432.

Texas Education Agency guidelines. In 1970 the Texas Education Agency prepared Guidelines For The Development Of Demonstration Centers For Language-Handicapped Children. The guidelines were sent to the 20 regional education service centers in the state with invitations to submit proposals for demonstration center projects. Included in the guidelines were descriptions of the

- . . Primary and secondary goals of the demonstration centers.
- . . Appraisal, instruction, and staff development components of the demonstration centers.
- . . Third party evaluation system.
- . . Administrative organization and staff positions.
- . . Project time period. Final reports were to be submitted in August, 1973.
- . . Budget limitations.

Approved proposals. Proposals for demonstration centers were submitted by five education service centers. Final approval of the Region IV and Region X Education Service Center proposals was made by the State Board of Education upon recommendation from the Commissioner with advice of the Governor's Advisory Council On Language-Handicapped Children.

Region IV Education Service Center proposal. The proposal developed by Region IV Education Service Center emphasized the exploration of different organizational procedures for providing special education services to language-handicapped pupils in the public school setting. Two organizational patterns were to be investigated-- instructional services and appraisal services. Each organizational pattern was to be examined at the kindergarten, third, and sixth grade levels during the first project year. The second project year was designated for continued investigation of revised organizational patterns in six grades at the elementary and junior high school levels. The three goals of The Language Center were delineated in terms of appraisal, treatment, and personnel training.

- . . Appraisal. The Language Center was to employ and compare several testing procedures for evaluating levels of proficiency in comprehending both written and spoken language and in synthesizing both written and spoken language. The objective was to determine the most accurate, reliable, practical, and economical means of screening from a pupil population those children with language handicaps. Once identification had been made of those children with language handicaps, The Language Center was to employ and compare at least two diagnostic protocols, including combinations of educational, psychological, sociological, and medical evaluation procedures. The objective was to determine the most accurate, reliable, practical, and economical means of identifying those children whose language handicap is

their primary handicap, i. e., of separating those whose disabilities are attributable to mental retardation, emotional disorder, or motor dysfunctions, from those whose disabilities may be remedied through special instructional methods within the regular public school environment.

- . . Treatment. The Language Center was to establish a series of demonstration classrooms in which remediation techniques and materials would be tested. The objective was to determine which remediation protocol or combination of curricular design, techniques, and materials would be most effective and expeditious for increasing the language-handicapped child's proficiency in the comprehension and synthesis of oral and written language while he remained in the public school environment.
- . . Personnel training. The Language Center was to provide inservice training for selected personnel already employed in the participating school districts and pre-service training for an equal number of new teachers. During the course of the project, the effectiveness of various training techniques was to be evaluated in conjunction with the remediation techniques for which the instructors would be trained, with the objective of determining the most profitable combination thereof for replication in teacher education programs of the state's institutions of higher education and corresponding certification parameters for the Texas Education Agency (Region IV Education Center, 1970).

Language Center objectives. Objectives were generated early in the project.

- . . Develop reliable screening procedures for the identification of language-handicapped children in the public schools of Texas and prepare for the Texas Education Agency a comprehensive manual for the administration of such screening procedures by any local education agency.
- . . Test and evaluate the accuracy, relevance, and usefulness of diagnostic protocols involving educational, sociological, psychological, and medical appraisals, and prepare for the Texas Education Agency a comprehensive manual for the administration of such appraisal procedures, detailing test reliabilities and implication for diagnosis and prediction.
- . . Develop an instructional program for the remediation of language and/or learning disabilities and prepare for the Texas Education Agency a concise description of the curriculum design, methodology, techniques, and materials for

the purpose of replication on local public school campuses.

- . . Prepare comprehensive guidelines for pre-service and in-service instructional staff training programs for replication on local public school campuses.
- . . Provide a research base for a participating third party evaluation system, which will in turn provide the Texas Education Agency with a document outlining specific procedures for evaluating special education programs.
- . . Develop for the Texas Education Agency a Comprehensive Administrator's Handbook for establishing and implementing a program for language-handicapped children by any local education agency.

Philosophy

Throughout the two-and-one-half-year project, the prevailing philosophy for all research and administrative decisions embodied three basic concepts--effectiveness, relevance, and economy. For example, to develop an effective screening program required a procedure for accurately identifying language-handicapped children at all grade levels. To be relevant, the screening program had to further identify those children whose language behavior would improve through the instructional intervention services available in the public school systems of Texas. Finally, the costs of materials and personnel time had to be compatible with "Plan A" financing and local district resources. All appraisal, instruction, and personnel training procedures were required to satisfy these same criteria before being endorsed by the project component directors and submitted to the Texas Education Agency.

During the initial planning stage of the project, these three philosophical concepts were expanded into ten guiding principles which formulated the basis for subsequent decision making. These principles are listed below.

Commitment to the Texas Education Agency. The first principle concerned The Language Center's commitment to the production requirements of the Texas Education Agency.

- . . Development of a planned program for screening, appraisal, instruction, and staff development should be applicable to all public schools programming for children who are language handicapped.
- . . There should be provision of specific information in "packaged" form about skills, techniques, guidelines and/or manuals, and policies whereby a program for children who have language handicaps can become a part of the network of state-wide language and/or learning disability public school programs.

Academic performance. The second principle required that academic performance be the final criterion measure for any appraisal, instruction, or staff development activity.

- . . The purpose of providing supportive services to language-handicapped children should be to improve academic performance.
- . . Language disability should be considered a language handicap only when it retards the academic progress of a youngster.
- . . Removal of a language handicap should be accomplished by either correcting the deficient language process or by developing successful compensatory skills. In the latter instance, the "handicap" to academic performance must diminish while the deficient language process remains unchanged.

Public school setting. The third principle restricted program developments to those designed for implementation in the public school setting.

- . . Screening must be efficient, effective, economical, and functional within the personnel and time constraints of the public school structure.
- . . Appraisal results must yield instructional recommendations

appropriate to the resources available to the referring teacher or school administrator.

- . . Instructional systems must complement the present teaching practices of Texas public schools.
- . . Inservice training modules must be flexible enough for adaptation to the particular needs of different school districts.

Plan A. The fourth principle involved the facilitation of Plan A special education concepts.

- . . Screening and educational planning activities should focus upon currently assessed behaviors rather than upon etiological determinants.
- . . The classroom teacher should become a part of the special instructional team. Special education for language-handicapped children should be provided in the regular classroom as well as in self-contained or resource rooms.
- . . Inservice training should be provided to all mainstream educational personnel and administrators.

Decentralization. The fifth principle concerned a decentralization of the administration process.

- . . Assessment of a provision for the educational needs of language-handicapped children should be conducted at the local building level.
- . . Inservice training should be geared to campus-level rather than district-wide needs.
- . . The Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committee should be composed of local building school personnel.

Support services. The sixth principle perceived all special services as support services for classroom teachers.

- . . The primary responsibility for academic performance should remain with the classroom teacher.
- . . All special services personnel, including educational diagnosticians, resource teachers, and teacher aides,

should be considered support personnel who are employed to assist the classroom teacher modify current teaching practices to better fit the unique learning patterns of language-handicapped children.

Staff development. The seventh principle emphasized the development of special services personnel from existing instructional staff.

- . . Many of the competencies required of effective support services personnel are not acquired through formal training or experience, but rather stem from basic personality traits like energy, drive, stamina, tolerance, communicativeness, attitude, and loyalty to the administration. These traits cannot be accurately evaluated before the support services person has worked within the school district.
- . . Role competency requirements vary among school districts. Certified personnel vary in the extent to which they possess the competencies required by particular school districts. The final training stages for competency development must be provided by the employing school district.

Appraisal services. The eighth principle required that appraisal services be interwoven throughout the instructional process.

- . . Appraisal services should form part of the total education process.
- . . Appraisal services should justify themselves in terms of their relevance to educational planning.
- . . Appraisal services should not extend beyond the planning limits of pupil performance objectives.
- . . Appraisal services should entail a continuous process of refining previous educational plans.
- . . Limited appraisal services should be provided to all eligible pupils at the beginning of the school year and the results immediately transmitted to teachers. Afterwards, follow-up appraisal services should be periodically provided for modifying previous educational plans.

Instructional program. The ninth principle emphasized the development of an eclectic instructional program.

- . . Instructional programs and materials should be selected on the basis of what works best with the language-handicapped youngster.
- . . Teachers should be given the opportunity to evaluate the appropriateness of instructional programs to the learning needs of their pupils.

Definition of language handicap. The tenth principle outlined the conditions for developing an operational definition of language handicap.

- . . Inclusive--stating the areas of concern, e.g., language modalities, learning processes, academic tasks.
- . . Exclusive--stating the scope and limitations of the definition in terms of intellectual, sensory, physical, emotional or environmental deviations from the norm.
- . . Behavioral--both inclusive and exclusive statements should be described in measurable terms. The question "As measured by what?" should be answered for each descriptive statement in the working definition of language disability.
- . . Functional--the definition adopted for The Language Center states that children with developmental disabilities are those who consistently show a significant discrepancy between their potential for performing and their actual performance in one or more basic language areas--auditory, spoken, reading, and written language--and who have not developed effective compensatory skills. This definition includes children who scored above or below average on standardized intelligence tests, but does not include those who scored in the mentally retarded range. Also excluded from this definition are children whose language skill deficits are primarily attributable to bilingualism, emotional disturbance, sensory deficit, or physical impairment.

Research orientation. The eleventh principle committed The Language Center to a scientific investigation of the basic objectives of the project.

- . . A "research" philosophy should permeate each component of The Language Center.

Procedure

Participating school districts. To assure maximum applicability of the study, two school districts were selected as representative of the demographics of Texas. The Aldine Independent School District had approximately 25,000 students enrolled at the start of the project. There were approximately 5,000 pupils in three senior high schools; 5,800 pupils in four junior high schools; and 14,000 pupils in sixteen elementary schools. Aldine represents a typical suburban community. Socioeconomic levels range from upper middle class to a low-income area with many of the problems of the metropolitan ghetto.

The Spring Independent School District is located about 20 miles north of downtown Houston in the center of a truck farming and livestock area. It has been predominantly rural but is becoming a suburban community of commuters. Economically, families range from low-income farm workers to upper-income farmers and professionals. There were approximately 3,000 pupils in one senior high school, one middle school, and three elementary schools at the beginning of the project.

The combined ethnic distribution of the two school districts was 75 percent white, 18 percent black, and 7 percent brown. These figures corresponded with state averages at the time of the study.

Project organization. Region IV Education Service Center served as the contracting and fiscal agent for The Language Center. The

Board of Directors of Region IV authorized its Executive Director to implement the project by unanimous action in February, 1971. All members of the project staff became employees of Region IV.

Consultative support was provided by the Region IV Directors for Special Education and for Pupil Appraisal. All component programs and services were under the direct administration of the component directors and the project director.

- . . The Project Director was responsible for the total operation of The Language Center, its relations with the pilot schools and cooperating universities, and for the attainment of goals and objectives stipulated by the Legislature and the Texas Education Agency.
- . . The Director of Appraisal was responsible for the administration of the screening, appraisal, and diagnostic procedures, the on-going coordination of the research design, and the analysis of all pupil-related research data.
- . . The Director of Instruction was responsible for the administration of the pilot classroom system, the coordination of research techniques and materials, and the organization of data for evaluation by the research staff.
- . . The Director of Staff Development was responsible for the preservice and continuing inservice training programs for the pilot classroom instructors and instructional aides, coordination of the participation of the cooperating universities, and the organization of data for evaluation by the research staff.
- . . The Coordinator of Research and Data Processing was responsible for the preparation and selection of statistical treatments of data, the preparation of computer programs, and the coordination of all data processing activities.

Comparative research. In the early 1970's, most public school districts in Texas employed one of three special education instructional arrangements and one of three appraisal protocols. Each program had

its strong and weak points, but without comparative research it was difficult to establish the relative merits of each. Rather than develop additional alternatives, The Language Center examined each instructional and appraisal program under carefully controlled experimental conditions in terms of validity, effectiveness, relevance, and cost. The six programs investigated were:

- . . Instructional arrangements: assignment of language-handicapped pupils to:
 - . Regular classroom only.
 - . Resource room.
 - . Self-contained classroom with differentiated staffing.
- . . Appraisal protocols: appraisal services provided by:
 - . Classroom teacher only.
 - . Educational diagnostician.
 - . Multidisciplinary team.

In addition, the effectiveness of teacher aides with respect to pupil achievement was investigated with each instructional and appraisal pattern.

Project staff. The following personnel were employed by The Language Center during the two academic years of the project:

- . . 1971-72 academic year.
 - . Five educational diagnosticians were employed to work with one-third of the project pupils.
 - . One full-time psychologist and medical consultant specialists worked with one-third of the project pupils.
 - . No appraisal personnel were assigned to the remaining third of the project pupils during the first year of the study.
 - . Eleven resource teachers were assigned to half the project pupils.
 - . Eighteen teacher aides were assigned to half the resource

teachers and to half the classroom teachers who were not assigned a resource teacher during the first study year.

- . . 1972-73 academic year.
 - . Six educational diagnosticians and one psychologist (who had the option of consulting a medical doctor) were assigned to all project pupils during the second year of the study.
 - . Thirteen resource teachers were assigned to all project pupils during the second year.
 - . Twenty teacher aides were assigned to all resource teachers during the second year; six teacher aides were assigned to those classroom teachers who worked without a resource teacher during the second year.
- . . All staff members were selected first on the basis of desirable personality characteristics; second, on specific competency credentials.

Inservice training. Frequent and intensive inservice training was provided to all Language Center instructional and appraisal personnel throughout the project.

- . . Twice a month, half-day inservice sessions were provided for all project staff.
- . . Frequent additional special inservice sessions were provided to selected groups.
- . . Inservice training was provided by the component directors, Region IV Education Service Center personnel, and nationally recognized consultants.
- . . An extensive follow-up inservice program for implementing Plan A special education has been scheduled by the Aldine Independent School District for the 1973-74 school year.

Consultants. The Language Center drew upon the specialized knowledge and skills of many nationally-known consultants to assist in planning, evaluation, and staff development activities. Among these consultants were:

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Evaluation. As a criterion-based, product-oriented project, The Language Center required extensive and concurrent evaluation of all research decisions and administrative activities. A distinction was made between internal and external evaluation.

- . . Internal evaluation included:
 - . Pilot testing of program elements before their introduction into the basic research design whenever possible.
 - . Measures of status and trend changes among pupils with respect to academic performance, incidence of language disability, demographic characteristics, attitudes toward self and toward school, and teacher behavior and attitudes.
- . . Employment of a full-time research coordinator.
- . . External evaluation was provided through a third party contract with Consulting, Planning and Evaluation Services. Project activities were monitored by the external evaluation firm and regular progress reports submitted to the Texas Education Agency.

Production

The primary goal of The Language Center was to develop and document a program for appraisal, instruction, and staff development which would be applicable to all public schools. The Language Center was further required to present this program in the form of specific skills, techniques, guidelines and/or manuals whereby it could become part of the state-wide network of language and/or learning disability programs in the public schools. Several publications were compiled

to convey this information to the Texas Education Agency. The intent and content of each publication is summarized on the following pages.

Language Center Handbook. The Handbook was developed to provide a step-by-step procedure for establishing and administering a comprehensive program for language-handicapped children in Texas public schools. The sections of the Handbook were reference coded for every professional and paraprofessional role concerned with language-handicapped children in the public schools, from school board member to teacher aide. The underlying philosophy, job description, and required competencies were delineated for various positions concerned with language-handicapped children. Guidelines, procedures, and materials were reported for each component of the demonstration program. Included in the Handbook were the following topics:

- . . Background for language disability programs.
- . . Establishing a local program.
- . . Screening.
- . . Appraisal.
- . . Educational planning.
- . . Instructional materials.
- . . Instruction.
- . . Staff development.

Language Center Quarterly Reports. Eight Quarterly Reports were prepared by The Language Center during the project period. Collectively they provided a progress report of each developmental

stage of the project. Included in each report were the basic administrative and research questions raised during that quarter, the decisions made, and the underlying rationale. Also included were activity summaries for each Language Center component and copies of materials and procedural guidelines developed during the preceding quarter.

. . Quarterly Report Number 1.

. Introduction.

Background for the study.
Project goals.
Definitions of language disability.
Project organization.
Participating school districts.

. Research Design.

General questions.
The design.
Population.

. Project Operations.

Budget.
Professional growth activities.

. Appraisal Functions.

Objectives of the appraisal component.
Kindergarten.
Third grade.
Sixth grade.

. Instructional Functions.

Objectives of the instructional component.
Method of instruction.
Materials selection procedures.

. Staff Development Functions.

Objectives of the staff development component.

. . Quarterly Report Number 2.

. Design of the experiment.

Programs of intervention.
Appraisal protocols.

. Summary of Activities.

Appraisal.
Instruction.
Staff development.

. Project Operations.

Personnel.
Budget.
Dissemination.

. . Quarterly Report Number 3.

. Research Design and Proposed Analysis Techniques.

Elements of the research design.
The independent variables.
Sampling procedures.
Control groups.
Statistical analysis of data.
General considerations.

. Data Collection.

Basic questions.
Criterion testing.

. Instructional Emphasis.

Basic questions.
Instructional programs.
Material.
On-site consultant assistance.
Informal meetings with teachers.

. Summary of Activities.

Appraisal.
Instruction.
Staff development.

. Project Operations.

Personnel.
District relations.
Dissemination.
Professional contacts.

- . . Quarterly Report Number 4.
 - . Staff Development.
 - Context of inservice training.
 - Preliminary planning.
 - Summer inservice module.
 - Instructional materials inservice module.
 - Instructional objectives module.
 - Other staff development meetings.
 - Teacher aide training.
 - Evaluation.
 - . Summary of Activities.
 - Appraisal.
 - Research and data processing.
 - Instruction.
 - Staff development.
 - . Project Operations.
 - Dissemination.
 - Professional contacts.
- . . Quarterly Report Number 5.
 - . Summary of Activities.
 - Appraisal.
 - Research and data processing.
 - Instruction.
 - Staff development.
 - . Project Operations.
 - Dissemination.
 - Professional contacts.
- . . Quarterly Report Number 6.
 - . Program Evaluation.
 - Elements of the 1972-73 research design.
 - The three experiments.
 - Performance objectives.
 - . Summary of Activities.
 - Appraisal.
 - Instruction.

Staff development.
Research.

. Project Operations.

Personnel
Dissemination
Professional contacts.

. . Quarterly Report Number 7.

. Summary of Activities.

Appraisal.
Instruction.
Staff development.
Research.

. Project Operations.

Personnel.
Dissemination.
Professional contacts.

. . Quarterly Report Number 8.

. Summary of Activities.

Appraisal.
Instruction.
Staff development.
Research.

. Project Operations.

Personnel.
Dissemination.
Consultants.

Statistical reports. Summary reports of all statistical analyses, as well as a final report of the research design and results of the project were submitted to the Texas Education Agency along with this document.

Research Monographs. The Language Center research program generated a number of peripheral studies which held implications for

other fields of behavioral science. The *Research Monographs* submitted to the Texas Education Agency included:

. . Volume 1.

- . 1 The Language Center: A Project of the Texas Education Agency and Region IV Education Service Center. Ralph O. Teter.
- . 2 Effects of Support Personnel on the Academic Performance of Language-Handicapped Children. Max D. Miller and Ralph O. Teter.
- . 3 Incidence of Language Handicaps among Kindergarten, Third, and Sixth Grade Pupils. Max D. Miller and James R. Hale.
- . 4 An Evaluation of Selected Pre-Kindergarten Screening Tests for Language Disability. James R. Hale and Emma Metzler.
- . 5 Classroom Teacher Ratings of the Language Center Appraisal Objectives. James R. Hale.
- . 6 A Study of the Relationship between the Gates-MacGinitie Reading Test: Readiness Skills and the Meeting Street School Screening Test. James R. Hale and Judith Kerley.
- . 7 Analyses of Characteristics of Language Handicapped Children. Max D. Miller.
- . 8 Investigation of Alternative Roles for the Public School Speech Clinician. James R. Hale and Nancy Shoup.
- . 9 Utilization of Instructional Media, Teaching Techniques, and Student-Oriented Activities by Teachers in the Language Center Project. William A. Young and Ralph O. Teter.
- . 10 Attitudes of Classroom Teachers, Resource Teachers, and Educational Diagnosticians toward Utilization of Instructional Media, Teaching Techniques, and Student-Oriented Activities in the Language Center Project. William A. Young and Max D. Miller.

. . Volume 2.

- . 1 A Generalized Evaluation Model for Language Disability Programs. Max D. Miller.

- . 2 Impact of the Language Center Program on the Individual Child as Determined from Critical Incident Reports. Ralph O. Teter.
- . 3 The Role of the Language Center Teacher Aide Based on the Perceptions of Teachers. Ralph O. Teter.
- . 4 Perceptions of Classroom Teachers Concerning Selected Aspects of the Language Center Program. Ralph O. Teter.
- . 5 Administrative Attitudes toward the Program of the Language Center after One Year of Operation. Joe A. Airola.
- . 6 Relationship of Special Instructional Programs to Student Attendance. Ralph O. Teter.
- . 7 Competency Clusters and Proficiency Levels for Classroom Teachers, Resource Teachers, and Educational Diagnosticians Who Serve Language-Handicapped Children. Ralph O. Teter.

Activity reports. Monthly activity reports were submitted to the Texas Education Agency and the third party evaluation firm. These reports provided a log of program development activities.

Materials. Many of the specific materials required for project operations had to be developed by The Language Center. These included appraisal and instructional materials, program evaluation forms, procedural guidelines, conceptual models, and research designs. These materials are included as attachments to this document:

- . . Local Review and Referral Criteria (Attachment A).
- . . Beginning Kindergarten Checklist of Educational Skills (B).
- . . Reading Skills Checklist (C).

- . . Basic Classroom and Resource Room Equipment (D).
- . . Language Center: Developmental History Form (E).
- . . Language Center Medical Screening Examination Form (F).
- . . Kindergarten Group-Test Library (G).
- . . Third Grade Group-Test Library (H).
- . . Sixth Grade Group-Test Library (I).
- . . Individually Administered Test Library (J).
- . . Design of the Experiment (K).
- . . Inservice Program Evaluation Form (L).
- . . Test Evaluation Form (M).
- . . Reading and Written Language Supplement (N).
- . . Educational Planning Sequence (O).
- . . Learning for Mastery Strategies (P).
- . . Kindergarten Language Skills Checklist: Preliminary Screening (Q).
- . . Language Center Kindergarten Class Evaluation Record (R).
- . . Kindergarten Skills Checklist: For First-Grade Teacher (S).
- . . Summary Evaluation of Project Pupil (T).
- . . Evaluation Design: 1972-73 (U).
- . . Student Transitions into the Second Year of Study (V).

Dissemination. Two slide-tape presentations were prepared by The Language Center to provide an overview of the research project to both lay and professional groups. Numerous presentations of the slide-tape with current status reports of Language Center procedures,

materials, and research results were made to local, state, and national organizations. Below are listed the national and state organizations where presentations were made.

- . . International Association For Children With Learning Disabilities (1972, 1973, 1974).
- . . National Council for Exceptional Children (1972).
- . . Texas Council for Exceptional Children (1972).
- . . Texas Association For Supervision and Curriculum (1972).
- . . Texas Association For The Improvement of Reading (1972).
- . . Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (1973).

Implications

The educational implications of the Language Center project extended beyond merely programming for the language-handicapped child. Equally important were the contributions made to other areas of special education, mainstream education, and educational research.

Language and learning disability programming. One outcome of The Language Center was the development of a comprehensive Handbook containing policy statements, procedural guidelines, organizational models, material selection procedures, staff development programs, and personnel selection criteria for establishing language/learning disability programs in any public school system in Texas. This Handbook, along with related information obtained from the other Demonstration Centers for Language-Handicapped Children and the public schools' pilot language-learning disability studies, will provide the Texas Education Agency with the necessary information to establish

state guidelines for educational planning for learning/language-handicapped children.

Plan A special education. The Language Center project was developed under the guidelines of Plan A special education. Thus, the Handbook may serve as a useful tool for administrators of other special education programs in Plan A schools. Of particular interest to special educators would be those sections of the Handbook which focus upon:

- . . Interaction of special education services with mainstream education.
- . . Student behavior rather than problem classification.
- . . Relationship of appraisal procedures to instructional outcomes.
- . . Procedures for developing and modifying educational plans.
- . . Decentralization of special education programming.
- . . General roles and competencies of all special education personnel.

Mainstream education. The Language Center was able to demonstrate that many of the problems encountered with language-handicapped children could be effectively resolved in the regular classroom, provided the teacher is given a modicum of guidance, personnel support, and inservice training. In fact, one beneficial side effect of the project was the general upgrading of teaching skills and knowledge. Project teachers should work more effectively with language-handicapped children next year and require less supportive help than their less experienced counterparts. Further, the procedures for individualizing instruction, for the achievement of instructional goals and performance objectives,

and for staff development--all outlined in the Handbook--apply to mainstream as well as special education.

Attachments

LOCAL REVIEW AND REFERRAL CRITERIA

I. Screening Committee Composition:

A. Standing Committee

1. Principal
2. Speech Therapist
3. School Nurse
4. Special Education Teacher (if available)
5. Remedial Reading Teacher (if available)

B. Rotating Committee Members

1. Second-Grade Classroom Teachers
2. Fifth-Grade Classroom Teachers

II. Recommended Screening Committee Procedure:

1. Principal sets dates and time for Screening Committee review and referral sessions.
2. Principal prepares rotating time schedule for second and fifth-grade classroom teachers. Allow one hour for each review session.
3. Principal brings all pupil cumulative folders to each classroom session.
4. Principal prepares a list of names of all second-grade and all fifth-grade pupils selected for further language screening (briefly indicating reason for selection) on the basis of any one of the following five selection criteria.

III. Pupil Selection Criteria:

A. Language Performance. Refer pupil for further screening if serious difficulty is suspected in any one of the following language functions:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Oral Reading Level | 5. Arithmetic Computation |
| 2. Reading Comprehension | 6. Arithmetic Comprehension |
| 3. Spelling Level | 7. Expressing Thoughts Orally |
| 4. Writing Level | 8. Expressing Thoughts in Writing |

B. Academic Performance. Refer pupil for further screening if he or she is experiencing serious difficulty (that is, consistent failure or operating a year or more below grade level) in any one of the following subjects:

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. Social Studies | 4. Spelling |
| 2. English | 5. Handwriting |
| 3. Reading | 6. Arithmetic |
| | 7. Science |

C. Special Services. Refer pupil for further screening if during the past two years he or she has been referred (disregarding whether or not the student actually was examined or received special treatment) for:

1. Special Education
2. Speech/Articulation Testing or Therapy
3. Remedial Reading Diagnosis or Tutoring
4. Psychological, Psychiatric or Neurological Examination or Treatment

or

5. Retained for one or more semesters during the past two years in any one of the subject areas described in section "B" above

or

6. Otherwise suspected of serious Language, Learning, Academic, Articulation, or Behavior difficulties.

D. Grade History. Refer pupil for further screening if during the past two years he or she has received an "F" grade for one or more semesters in any one of the subject areas described in section "B" above.

E. Achievement Test Scores. Refer pupil for further screening if during the past two years he or she received a grade placement score on any Reading, Spelling, or Arithmetic Achievement subtest or total test of:

1. One (1.0) grade level below current placement for second-grade pupils.
2. One-and-a-half (1.5) grade levels below current placement for fifth-grade pupils.

IV. Rejection Criteria:

1. Do not list pupils whom you know will not be residing in the School District for the next two school years. Principal might want to refer these to the Director of Special Education.
2. Do not list pupils whom you know to be:
 - a. Trainable Mentally Retarded or who have an I.Q. score of less than 50 (this does not mean Educable Retardates).
 - b. Severely physically handicapped pupils who require Special Education (this does not mean Minimally Brain Injured pupils).
 - c. Pupils whose sight or hearing are so severely impaired after the provision of corrective aids that they require Special Education.

BEGINNING KINDERGARTEN CHECK LIST OF EDUCATIONAL SKILLS

Name _____ Sex M - F Birth Date _____
 Teacher who recorded _____ Date _____
 School _____ Class Size _____

Note: The following items were designed to measure the educational skills of a child beginning kindergarten. Please allow the child two weeks to practice the performances listed in each item and to become adjusted to the classroom before scoring the checklist. Mark all items either **ADEQUATE** or **INADEQUATE**. With most items, you are asked to rate his performance in comparison with his classmates. Be sure to record the child's usual performance, and not just an isolated incident.

COMPLETE A CHECKLIST ON EVERY CHILD IN YOUR CLASS AND RETURN THE FORMS TO YOUR PRINCIPAL ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15.

	ADEQUATE	INADEQUATE
1. Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Gross motor skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Understood by others (articulation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Opportunity to learn (birth to kindergarten)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Attention span	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Can sequence hand claps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Remembers what told to do	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Answers questions after story is read	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Rote counts 1 through 5 (highest correct number _____)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Number concepts through 3 (highest correct number _____)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Sentence structure in free talk (grammar)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Sentence structure when describing a picture (grammar)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Jumps (both feet off ground)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Catches a ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Cuts with scissors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Copies drawing of balloon with verticle string (crayon)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Relates well to classmates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Self control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Skills needed to complete kindergarten	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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The following are suggestions for checking a skill INADEQUATE:

1. Hearing loss. Child frequently asks you to repeat or ignores instructions.
2. Vision loss. Child places eyes close to work; tips head or squints eyes when doing class work.
3. Gross Motor skills demonstrate clumsiness in walking, running, sitting down, e.g., stumbles or falls over feet, poor gait.
4. Child's pronunciation of words is so poor that teacher and classmates have difficulty understanding him, e.g., speech is unintelligible.
5. Opportunity to learn has been poor, due to hospitalization, environment, e.g., child has long history of hospitalization, or home environment offers few learning experiences.
6. Attention span is short. Child does not seem to be able to stay with one task. Attention span is too long. Child cannot shift from one task to another.
7. During handclapping games and similar rhythm activities, cannot sequence hand claps that are easily done by classmates.
8. Cannot remember what he/she is told to do as well as classmates, e.g., forgets simple oral directions.
9. Cannot give correct answers to teacher's story that was just read, even when forewarned.
10. During game activities, ask child to count. Any number below 5 is a failure. Record highest correct number said.
11. Understands meaning of numbers, e.g., can retrieve three objects from a group. Any response below 3 is a failure. Record highest correct response.
12. During free talk, sentence structure is poorer than is expected of a beginning kindergarten child, e.g., uses many verbs and pronouns incorrectly.
13. When describing a picture, sentence structure is poorer than is expected, e.g., uses many verbs and pronouns incorrectly.
14. Jumps but cannot leave ground with both feet at same time, or cannot jump.
15. Catches a large ball poorly compared to classmates.
16. Cannot learn to cut with scissors as well as classmates.
17. Cannot copy a circle with a vertical line under it as well as classmates. (Crayon-paper from blackboard.)
18. Relates poorly to classmates. They do not like this child, or ignore him. E.g., he is a loner, or bullies classmates, or is too demanding of teacher's time.
19. Self control is very poor compared to classmates, e.g., tantrums, cries, hits, hyperactive.
20. According to your judgement, this child will require special help in order to develop the necessary skills for completing kindergarten.

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READING SKILLS CHECKLIST

M = Mastered
C = Continue Instruction
NP = Not Presented
NE = Not Evaluated

PHONETIC ANALYSIS SKILLS		STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS SKILLS	COMPREHENSION SKILLS
CONSONANTS		Recognizes common root words Recognizes parts of compound words Pronounces contractions Recognizes common endings (e.g., -ed, -ing) Recognizes common beginnings (e.g., pre-, un-, de-) Tells number of syllables heard Divides words into syllables Locates words in a dictionary Uses pronunciation key ORAL READING Phrasing adequate for reading level Inflection adequate No significant omissions No significant substitutions No significant pronunciation errors READING PROGRAMS	Literal Retells sentence content Retells paragraph content Retells story sequence Interpretive Word meanings from sentence content Main idea of paragraph Labels feelings of characters Cause-effect relationships Predicting story outcomes VOCABULARY Knows word meanings in reading material used
Single Consonants	Single Long		
Final Consonants	Single Short		
Initial Blends	Vowel digraphs (e.g., -ea)		
Final Blends	Vowel diphthongs (e.g., -oi)		
Initial Digraphs	Phonograms		
Final Digraphs			
PHONIC ATTACK PLAN			
Blend the sound of the initial consonant or consonant blend with: i. Short vowel sound of a single vowel in middle of a word (e.g., blaf). 2. Long vowel sound when there is cvc "e" pattern (e.g., blafe) open syllable (e.g., bla) two vowels together (e.g., blai) excluding diphthongs and problem digraphs.			
SIGHT WORDS			
% known from Tst.			Word recognition level as determined by Comprehension level as determined by Instructional reading level as determined by

Attachment C

April, 1973

(Comments on Back)

Basic Classroom and Resource Room Equipment

Cassette Recorder	Flash Reader TT-30
Filmstrip Viewer	Film Strip Projector
Study Mate II	Record Player
Auto-Vance Study Mate	Screen Fiberglass, 60" X 60"
Table 36" X 72" with Chairs	Portable Screen 18" X 20"
Table 30" X 60" with Chairs	Study Carrel
Audio Flashcard Reader	Audio Learning Center Listening Table
Eight Student Listening Center	Table, Kidney Shape
Overhead Projector	Mycom, Educational Computer
Film Loop Projector	

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DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY FORM

TO THE PARENTS: Please answer each question to the best of your ability. All information will be of value to the research project.

CHILD'S FULL NAME _____ Birth Date _____
 (Last) (First) (Middle) (Month) (Day) (Year)

School _____ Grade _____

Home Address _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

Mother's Name _____ Birth Date _____

Occupation _____

Father's Name _____ Birth Date _____

Occupation _____

FAMILY INFORMATION: (Please check one box in each column.)

<u>STATUS</u>		<u>CHILD LIVES WITH</u>		<u>NUMBER OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS</u>	
Married	<input type="checkbox"/>	Both Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	One	<input type="checkbox"/>
Separated	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Two	<input type="checkbox"/>
Divorced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Three	<input type="checkbox"/>
Widow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Relative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Four	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	Other	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	Or More	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

<u>PARENTS' EDUCATION</u>		<u>NUMBER OF MOVES IN LAST TWO YEARS</u>		
(EDUCATION COMPLETED) (FATHER)	(MOTHER)	(NUMBER)	(IN SAME SCHOOL DISTRICT)	(TO DIFFERENT DISTRICT)
Elementary	<input type="checkbox"/>	None	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High School	<input type="checkbox"/>	One	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Years College	<input type="checkbox"/>	Two	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Years College	<input type="checkbox"/>	Three	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Or More	<input type="checkbox"/>	Or More	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

DURING PREGNANCY:

List any medication taken during pregnancy with this child: _____

This child was pregnancy number _____

(Please check appropriate boxes below.)

<u>NUMBER OF PREGNANCIES</u>		<u>NUMBER OF MISCARRIAGES</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
One	<input type="checkbox"/>	One	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother is RH Negative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two	<input type="checkbox"/>	Two	<input type="checkbox"/>	German Measles (Rubella)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Three	<input type="checkbox"/>	Three	<input type="checkbox"/>	during pregnancy?		
Four	<input type="checkbox"/>	Four	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other illness (specify)		
Five	<input type="checkbox"/>	Five	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____		
Six	<input type="checkbox"/>	Six	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____		
Or More	<input type="checkbox"/>	Or More	<input type="checkbox"/>			

BIRTH INFORMATION:

Attending Physician _____ Hospital _____ City _____

Weight at birth? _____ (lbs.) _____ (ozs.) Length? _____ (inches)

Was this child jaundiced (yellow)? _____ Which day? _____
(Please check the appropriate boxes below.)

DELIVERY TIME

Premature ☐
On Time ☐
Overdue ☐

OTHER

YES NO

Blood Change Baby ☐ ☐
Breathe Promptly ☐ ☐
Oxygen Required ☐ ☐
Incubator Required ☐ ☐

DURING INFANCY - BIRTH TO 12 MONTHS: (Please check either YES or NO for each question listed below.)WAS CHILD YES NO

Limp ☐ ☐
Stiff ☐ ☐
Nervous ☐ ☐
Jittery ☐ ☐

DID CHILD

YES NO

Suck well ☐ ☐
Choke easily ☐ ☐
Vomit ☐ ☐
Eat well ☐ ☐
Sleep well ☐ ☐
Cry a lot ☐ ☐
Have problems with chewing ☐ ☐

DEVELOPMENT: (At what age [months or years] did each of the following occur?)

Held head up	_____	Fed self	_____
Turned over	_____	Talked single words	_____
Sat alone	_____	Talked sentences	_____
Crawled	_____	Bowel control	_____
Pulled up	_____	Bladder control	_____
Walked	_____	Dressed self	_____

BEHAVIOR: (Please check either YES or NO for each of the questions listed below.)

BEHAVIOR	YES	NO
Does child appear to hear well?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does child appear to see well?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does child have trouble sitting still?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has child had temper tantrums?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does child play well with other children?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does child play well with brothers and sisters?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has medication been prescribed for child's behavior?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ILLNESS: (Please check the appropriate boxes listed below.)

ILLNESS	YES	NO	COMPLICATIONS	AGE AT TIME OF ILLNESS
			YES NO	
Frequent colds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Far infections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Convulsions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Measles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Mumps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Chicken Pox	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Whooping Cough	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Head injury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Other Serious Infection or Illness (Specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

PREVIOUS EXAMINATIONS/TREATMENTS:

Please describe any current or previous medical problems of this child:

(If your child has had any of the following examinations or treatments, please check the appropriate boxes and list the most recent date.)

TYPE OF EXAMINATION	YES	NO	SUBSEQUENT TREATMENT	YES	NO	DATE OF EXAMINATION
Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hearing Aid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Glasses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Speech	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Psychiatric	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Allergy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other Chronic Ailment (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

SCHOOL SKILLS: (In your opinion, please indicate how well prepared you feel your child is with each of the learning skills listed below by checking the appropriate boxes. If your child is in kindergarten, check how well prepared you think your child is to learn each of these skills.)

SKILL	BELOW AVERAGE	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE
Listening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spelling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arithmetic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ADDITIONAL REMARKS: (Other information you feel might help the school physician to better understand your child.)

Physician's approval for my child to be examined by the school Physician at school expense if it is deemed necessary.

Date

Signed

DCL/MC
9-23-71

THE LANGUAGE CENTER

MEDICAL SCREENING EXAMINATION-

NAME

AGE

DATE

SCHOOL

GRADE

BIRTHDATE

1	2	3	4	5
NO INFO	SUSPECT	DEFINITE	NONE	

1	2	3	4	5
NO INFO	SUSPECT	DEFINITE	NONE	

A. SPEECH/ARTICULATION

(t, r, s, th sounds)

1. Structural

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2. Functional

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3. Remarks

B. GENERAL HEALTH

1. Prior Severe Illness

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2. Vision

a. R ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐b. L ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

c. Near Point

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d. Far Point

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e. Ocular Muscle Balance

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3. Hearing

R ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐L ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

4. Height

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5. Weight

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Speech Therapist Signature

School Nurse Signature

Date

Date

1	2	3	4	5
NO INFO	SUSPECT	DEFINITE	NON	

C. GENERAL PHYSICAL CONDITION

1. Posture

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2. Muscle Coordination

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

3. Personal Hygiene

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

4. Skin

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

5. Blood Pressure

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

6. Ears, Nose, Throat

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

7. Dental

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

8. Chest

a. Lungs

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

b. Cardiovascular

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9. Abdomen

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10. Genitalia

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11. Extremities

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12. Other

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D. NEUROLOGICAL

1. Skull

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

2. Eyes

a. Extra Ocular Movement

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
D. NEUROLOGICAL (Con't)

b. Pupillary

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

3. Pharynx

a. Tongue

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

b. Muscle Power Tone

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

4. Speech

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

5. Motor

a. Muscle Bulk

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

b. Muscle Power Tone

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

c. Gross Motor

(heel and toe, heel to toe)

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
d. Fine Motor Coordination
(finger nose- finger; hand
flops)
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

e. Deep Tendon Reflexes

(biceps, triceps, brachioradial
patellar babinski)
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

f. Involuntary Movements

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
6. Right and Left Orientation
Own Hand
☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Own Leg

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

7. Stereognosis (specify tests)

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

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NO INFO	SUSPECT	DEFINITE	NON	

D. NEUROLOGICAL (Con't)

8. Mental Status
(general impression)

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

9. Other (specify)

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

10. Gross Impression

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E. TREATMENT IMPLICATIONS

1. Learning Disorders

a. Perceptual

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

b. Distractibility

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

c. Hyperactivity

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d. Motor

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e. Retardation

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f. Emotional

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g. Other

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2. Language Disabilities

a. Reading

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

b. Writing

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

c. Listening

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d. Speaking

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e. Arithmetic

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TREATMENT IMPLICATIONS (Con't)

f. Other (specify)

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3. Recommended Medical
(specify on next page)

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Please describe any "checked" Learning or Language Disorder Implications:

What medical treatment is recommended?

General remarks and recommendations

Physician's Signature

Date

GROUP ADMINISTERED TEST BATTERIES
KINDERGARTEN LEVEL

ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Title: Metropolitan Readiness Test - Form A

Test Function: Measures skill and abilities that are necessary for first grade instruction: word meaning, listening, matching, alphabet, numbers, copying, plus optional Draw-A-Man.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Min.

Age Range: Grades K - 1.4

Title: Metropolitan Achievement Test - Primer Form F

Test Function: Measures how much pupils have learned in content and skill areas: word knowledge and analysis, reading, language, spelling, math. computation, concepts and problem solving.

Approx. Admin. Time: 70 Min.

Age Range: Grades K - 1.4

INTELLIGENCE TESTS

Title: Primary Mental Abilities

Test Function: Measures areas of: verbal meaning, number facility, reasoning, perceptual speed, spatial relations (Spanish Manual available)

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Min. (two sittings are recommended)

Age Range: Grades K - 1

Title: Short Test of Educational Ability (Also in Spanish form)

Test Function: Measures basic forms of logic-cause and effect with actions and objects, ability to visualize relation of one shape to another, picture vocabulary, simple arithmetic reasoning.

Approx. Admin. Time: 30 Min. (not rigidly timed)

Age Range: Grades K - 3

Title: Kuhlman-Anderson Test - Form K

Test Function: A measure of general learning ability or academic potential. Tests yield separate Verbal and Quantitative scores as well as a Total score.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Min.

Age Range: Kindergarten

INTELLIGENCE TESTS (con't) - 2 -

Kindergarten Group

Title: First Grade Screening Test - Boys and Girls (Separate forms)**Test Function:** To identify children in need of special assistance. Items sample general knowledge, body image, emotional maturity, visual-motor coordination, ability to follow directions, memory, perception of appropriate play.**Approx. Admin. Time:** 45 Minutes for Kindergarten, 30 Minutes for First Grade.**Age Range:** Grades K - 1**Title:** Boehm Test of Basic Concepts (Spanish Manual also available)**Test Function:** To appraise the young child's mastery of concepts that are commonly found in preschool and primary grade instructional materials and that are essential to understanding oral communications from teachers. **Context Categories:** Space (Location, Direction, Orientation, Dimensions) Quantity (and number), Time, and Miscellaneous (differences and similarities mostly).**Approx. Admin. Time:** 40 Minutes**Age Range:** Grades K - 1LANGUAGE TESTS**Title:** Frostig-Developmental Test of Visual Perception**Test Function:** Five subtests: visual-motor coordination, figure-ground perception, perceptual constancy, perception of spatial relationships, and perception of position in space.**Approx. Admin. Time:** 60 Minutes**Age Range:** 3 - 10 years**Title:** Slingerland Pre-Reading Scale**Test Function:** To find, among children having average to superior intelligence, those who make errors in perception and recall of language symbols.**Approx. Admin. Time:** 45 Minutes (minimum)**Age Range:** Kindergarten**Title:** Analysis of Learning Potential - Primary I**Test Function:** Seven subtests which predict academic success: number concepts, general information, word-picture association, listening comprehension, picture vocabulary, figure perception and story sequence.**Approx. Admin. Time:** 75 - 90 Minutes**Age Range:** Grades K - 1

Title: Anton-Brenner Developmental Gestalt Test of School Readiness

Test Function: To assess readiness for school

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 - 10 Minutes

Age Range: 5 - 6 years

Title: Early Identification of Children with Learning Disabilities:
The Meeting Street School Screening Test

Test Function: To find kindergarten and first grade children who do not possess requisite language, visual-perceptual-motor skills and gross motor control necessary for success in school.

Approx. Admin. Time: 15 - 25 Minutes

Age Range: 5 - 7.5 years

Title: Doren Diagnostic Reading Test of Word Recognition Skills

Test Function: Measures the degree to which children have mastered the word recognition skills: letter recognition, beginning sounds, whole word recognition, words within words, speech consonants, ending sounds, blending, rhyming, vowels, sight words.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 Hours (three sittings of one hour each)

Age Range: Grades 1.3 - 6

Title: Murphy-Durrell Reading Readiness Analysis

Test Function: Provides inventories in phoneme perception (the ability to identify separate sounds in spoken words) and the ability to name capital and lower-case letters, and a test of learning rate for sight words.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes (minimum)

Age Range: Grade Level K.8 - 1.5

Title: The Pupil Rating Scale - Screening for Learning Disabilities
(Myklebust)

Test Function: To identify those children who have learning disabilities. Teacher five-point rating scale (24 items) of five behavioral areas, all related to success in learning: Auditory Comprehension, Spoken Language, Orientation, Motor Coordination, Personal-Social Behavior. Author suggests careful study of manual before teacher makes ratings.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 to 10 Minutes

Age Range: All levels (standardized on third and fourth grade children)

GROUP ADMINISTERED TEST BATTERIES
THIRD GRADE LEVEL

ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Title: Metropolitan Achievement Test - Primary II

Test Function: Measures how much pupils have learned in content and skill areas: word knowledge, word analysis, reading, spelling, mathematical computation, concepts and problem solving.

Approx. Admin. Time: 2 Hours, 20 Minutes

Age Range: Grade Level 2.5 - 3.4

Title: Metropolitan Achievement Test - Elementary - Form F

Test Function: See Above

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 Hours

Age Range: Grade Level 3.5 - 4.9

Title: SRA Achievement Series - Form C

Test Function: To measure pupils basic achievement in broad curricular areas: reading (comprehension and vocabulary); language arts (capitalization and punctuation, grammatical usage, spelling); and arithmetic (concepts, reasoning, computation).

Approx. Admin. Time: 4 1/2 Hours

Age Range: Grades 2 - 4

INTELLIGENCE TESTS

Title: Tests of General Ability - Form A (Spanish manual available)

Test Function: An intelligence test designed to show the school level at which the child is actually performing. Test yields two scores: an IQ and a grade expectancy score.

Approx. Admin. Time: 35 - 45 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 2 - 4

Title: SRA Primary Mental Abilities

Test Function: Measures areas of: verbal meaning, number facility, reasoning, perceptual speed, spatial relations. To evaluate, understand and interpret individual differences.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 2 - 4

Title: Kuhlman-Anderson Test - Form CD

Test Function: A measure of general learning ability or academic potential. Tests yield separate verbal and quantitative scores as well as a total score.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 3 - 4

LANGUAGE TESTS

Title: Durrell-Listening Reading Series - Primary - Form DE

Test Function: To measure the degree of retardation in reading as compared to listening comprehension.

Approx. Admin. Time: 90 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 1 - 3.5

Title: Stanford Diagnostic Reading Test - Form W

Test Function: To identify needed areas of instruction in: comprehension, vocabulary auditory discrimination, syllabication, beginning and ending sounds, blending, and sound discrimination.

Approx. Admin. Time: 4 Hours

Age Range: Level I - Grades 2.5 - 4.5

Title: Stanford Diagnostic Arithmetic Test - Form W

Test Function: To identify needed areas of instruction in: concepts of numbers and numerals (number system, counting, operations, decimal place value) computation (adding, subtracting, multiplication, and division) and number facts.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 1/2 Hours

Age Range: Level I - Grades 2.5 - 4.5

Title: Analysis of Learning Potential - Primary II

Test Function: Seven subtests which predict academic success: word-picture association, figure series, number fluency, general information, number series, word meaning, and story sequence.

Approx. Admin. Time: 75 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 2 - 3

Title: Slingerland Screening Test for Identifying Children with Specific Language Disability - Form B

Test Function: These tests will screen from an entire group of children those who show indications of having a specific language disability in reading, hand-writing, spelling, or speaking. These tests, may be used for individual testing as well as group testing.

Subtests 1 - 5 evaluate visual-motor coordination, visual memory, visual discrimination, and visual memory to motor coordination. Subtests 6 - 8 evaluate auditory-visual discrimination and auditory memory to motor ability. Also included are individual auditory tests to identify those who are unable to recall or pronounce words correctly or are unable to express organized thoughts in either spoken or written language.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 2 - 3

Title: Frostig Developmental Test of Visual Perception

Test Function: Five subtests: visual-motor coordination, figure-ground perception, perceptual constancy, perception of spatial relationships, and perception of position in space.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: 3 - 10 Years

Title: The Pupil Rating Scale - Screening for Learning Disabilities (Myklebust)

Test Function: To identify those children who have learning disabilities. Teacher five-point rating scale (24 items) of five behavioral areas, all related to success in learning: Auditory Comprehension, Spoken Language, Orientation, Motor Coordination, Personal-Social Behavior. Author suggest careful study of manual before teacher makes ratings.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 to 10 Minutes

Age Range: All levels (standardized on third and fourth grade children)

GROUP ADMINISTERED TEST BATTERIES
SIXTH GRADE LEVEL

ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Title: Metropolitan Achievement Test - Intermediate - Form F
Partial Battery

Test Function: To measure amount learned in content and skill areas:
word knowledge, reading, language (study skills, speech,
punctuation, capitalization, and usage), mathematics:
computation, concepts, and problem solving.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 1/2 Hours (minimum)

Age Range: Grades 5 - 6.9

Title: SRA Achievement Series - Multilevel Edition - Form C

Test Function: To measure student achievement in: arithmetic
(reasoning, concepts, and computation), language arts
(capitalization and punctuation, grammatical usage,
and spelling), reading, science, and social studies.

Approx. Admin. Time: 6 Hours (minimum)

Age Range: Grades 6 - 9 (beginning)

INTELLIGENCE TESTS

Title: SRA Primary Mental Ability - Grades 6 - 9

Test Function: To measure five factors of intelligence that appear to
be most critical in schoolwork: verbal meaning, number
facility, reasoning, perceptual speed and spatial rela-
tions. Provides both multifactored and general measures
of intelligence.

Approx. Admin. Time: 1 1/4 Hours

Age Range: Grades 6 - 9

Title: Short Test of Educational Ability - Levels 3 - 4 (Spanish Manual
Available)

Test Function: Provides an estimate of educational ability and designed
to avoid reliance on achievement concepts and skills
acquired in school. A single score is obtained, derived
from 3 subtests: verbal meaning, arithmetic reasoning,
and number series.

Approx. Admin. Time: 20 - 30 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 4 - 8

INTELLIGENCE TESTS (con't) - 2 -

Sixth Grade Group

Title: Tests of General Ability - Form A - Grades 4 - 6

Test Function: Tests general intelligence and does not require reading, arithmetic or any other form of school achievement. Part I - Child's general knowledge of his surroundings, Part II - Geometric drawings to test abstract reasoning.

Approx. Admin. Time: 35 - 45 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 4 - 6

Title: Tests of General Ability - Form A - Grades 6 - 9

Test Function: See above

Approx. Admin. Time: 35 - 45 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 5 - 7

Title: Kuhlman-Anderson Test - Form EF

Test Function: A measure of general learning ability or academic potential. Tests yield separate verbal and quantitative scores as well as a total score.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 5 - 7

LANGUAGE TESTS

Title: Durrell Listening-Reading Series - Intermediate - Form DE & EF

Test Function: To measure the degree of retardation in reading as compared to listening comprehension.

Approx. Admin. Time: 90 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 3.5 - 6

Title: Slingerland Screening Test for Identifying Children with Specific Language Disability - Form C

Test Function: These tests will screen from an entire group of children those who show indications of having a specific language disability in reading, hand-writing, spelling, or speaking. The tests, may be used for individual testing as well as group testing.

Subtests 1-5, evaluate visual-motor coordination, visual memory, visual discrimination, and visual memory to motor coordination. Subtests 6-8 evaluate auditory-visual discrimination and auditory memory to motor ability. Also included are individual auditory tests to identify those who are unable to recall or pronounce words correctly or are unable to express organized thoughts in either spoken or written language.

Approx. Admin. Time: 60 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 3, 4, and 5

Title: Stanford Diagnostic Arithmetic Test - Level II - Form W

Test Function: To identify needed areas of instruction in: concepts of numbers and numerals (number system and operations, decimal place value), computations with whole numbers (addition and subtraction, multiplication and division), common fractions (understanding and computation), decimal fractions, and per cent, number facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and carrying).

Approx. Admin. Time: 4 1/4 Hours

Age Range: Grades 4.5 - 8.5

Title: Stanford Diagnostic Reading Test - Level II - Form W

Test Function: To identify needed areas of instruction in: reading comprehension (literal and inferential), vocabulary syllabication, sound discrimination, blending, and rate of reading.

Approx. Admin. Time: 2 Hours

Age Range: Grades 4.5 - 8.5

Title: Analysis of Learning Potential - Elementary Battery

Test Function: Seven subtests which predict academic success: word meaning, number relations, word categories, number fluency, number operations reasoning, word clues, and reasoning by logic.

Approx. Admin. Time: 75 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 4 - 6

Title: Doren Diagnostic Reading Test of Word Recognition Skills

Test Function: Measures the degree to which children have mastered the word recognition skills: letter recognition, beginning sounds, whole word recognition, words, words within words, speech consonants, ending sound blending, rhyming, vowels and sight words.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 Hours

Age Range: Grade 1.3 - 6

LANGUAGE TESTS (con't)

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Sixth Grade Group

Title: Diagnostic Reading Test - Form A

Test Function: To measure reading skills under general headings of: word recognition, comprehension, vocabulary, and story reading.

Approx. Admin. Time: 2 Hours (2 sittings, one hour each)

Age Range: Grades 4 - 8

Title: The Pupil Rating Scale - Screening for Learning Disabilities (Myklebust)

Test Function: To identify those children who have learning disabilities. Teacher five-point rating scale (24 items) of five behavioral areas, all related to success in learning: auditory comprehension, spoken language, orientation, motor coordination, personal-social behavior. Author suggests careful study of manual before teacher makes ratings.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 to 10 Minutes

Age Range: All levels (standardized on third and fourth grade children)

INDIVIDUALLY ADMINISTERED TESTS

ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Title: Peabody Individual Achievement Test

Test Function: Volume I - Mathematics

Volume II - Reading Comprehension, Reading Recognition,
Spelling, General Information

Approx. Admin. Time: 35 - 40 Minutes

Age Range: 5 - 18 years

Title: The Wide Range Achievement Test

Test Function: Short test of oral word reading, spelling and
arithmetic achievement.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 - 15 minutes

Age Range: 5 years through adult

INTELLIGENCE TESTS

Title: Slosson Intelligence Test for Children and Adults

Test Function: Verbal screening test (Slosson Oral Reading Test
included in manual)

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 - 15 Minutes

Age Range: 1 year through adult

Title: Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test

Test Function: Test of verbal intelligence estimated by measuring
receptive vocabulary.

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 - 15 minutes

Age Range: 1.9 - 18 years

Title: Goodenough-Harris Drawing Test

Test Function: Quick estimate of intelligence which can also be used
clinically to make assessments of personality and
body image factors. Very subjective and scoring is
tedious if examiner is inexperienced.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 - 10 minutes

Age Range: 3.3 to 13 years.

Title: Oseretsky Test of Motor Proficiency

Test Function: Measures a wide range of motor skills, eye-hand
coordination.

Approx. Admin. Time: 15 minutes

Age Range: 6 - 14 years

INTELLIGENCE TEST (con't) - 2 -

Individual Tests

Title: Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (Spanish Manual Available)

Test Function: Test of intelligence which provides separate verbal and performance scores.

Approx. Admin. Time: 1 Hour

Age Range: 5 - 15 years

Title: Wechsler Preschool and Primary Scale of Intelligence

Test Function: Test of intelligence which provides separate verbal and performance scores.

Approx. Admin. Time: 1 Hour

Age Range: 4 to 6.6 years

LANGUAGE TESTS

Title: Gray Oral Reading Test

Test Function: A useful supplement to silent reading tests.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 - 10 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 1 - 12

Title: Gilmore Oral Reading Test

Test Function: Ten graded paragraphs yielding 3 scores--accuracy, comprehension, and rate.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 - 5 Minutes

Age Range: Grades 1 - 8

Title: Preschool Attainment Record

Test Function: Global appraisal of attainment in ambulation, manipulation, rapport, communication, responsibility, information, ideation and creativity.

Approx. Admin. Time: 30 - 60 Minutes (informant - interview method)

Age Range: 6 months to 7 years

Title: Verbal Language Development Scale

Test Function: This scale is an extension of the communication pattern of the Vineland Social Maturity Scale. Yields language age equivalent based on child's level of communication.

Approx. Admin. Time: 30 - 60 Minutes (informant - interview method)

Age Range: One month to 15 years

LANGUAGE TESTS (con't)

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Individual Tests

Title: Auditory Discrimination Test (Wepman)

Test Function: Test of auditory discrimination ability for speech sounds in single words. Requires concept of same and different.

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 Minutes

Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Title: Illinois Test of Psycholinguistic Abilities

Test Function: Diagnostic instrument of specific learning disabilities. There are 10 subtests and 2 supplementary tests.

Approx. Admin. Time: 1 to 2 hours

Age Range: 2.4 - 10.3 years

Title: A Program for Early Identification of Learning Disabilities:
The Educational Evaluation Kit I (Wretha Peterson)

Test Function: Tests readiness for school-related tasks

Approx. Admin. Time: at least 45 minutes

Age Range: Kindergarten - first grade (can be used with any level child who appears to be having learning difficulties)

Title: Bender-Visual Motor Gestalt Test

Test Function: Test of form copying. (Monograph for clinical use of Bender available)

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 Minutes

Age Range: 5 years - Adult

Title: Preschool Language (Zimmerman)

Test Function: A diagnostic instrument to evaluate developmental progress, maturational lag, strengths and deficiencies in language skills of young children.

Approx. Admin. Time: less than 1/2 hour

Age Range: 1.6 - 7 years

Title: Ottawa School Behavior Check List

Test Function: Teacher evaluation of personality and behavior problems.

Approx. Admin. Time: 3 min.

Age Range: 6 - 12 years

Title: Denver Developmental Screening Test

Test Function: A developmental screening method to aid in the early detection of delayed development in young children. Though there are 105 test items each child is checked on approx. 20 items.

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 - 20 Minutes

Age Range: 2 weeks - 6 years

Title: SRA Reading Checklist Student Profile Sheet

Test Function: Teacher check list to supplement other test results in the areas of preparation for reading, values in reading, and mechanics of reading.

Approx. Admin. Time: 5 Minutes

Age Range: All levels

Title: Benton Visual Retention Test

Test Function: Assesses memory, perception, and visual motor functions.

Approx. Admin. Time: 20 Minutes for entire battery

Age Range: 8 years to adult

Title: Durrell Analysis of Reading Difficulty

Test Function: To find weaknesses and faulty habits in reading.

Approx. Admin. Time: Not less than 30 minutes, if entire battery is given.

Age Range: Grades 1.5 - 6.5

Title: Goldman-Fristoe Test of Articulation

Test Function: Articulation tested in words and sentences. Stimulability also tested.

Approx. Admin. Time: 15 - 30 Minutes

Age Range: All grade levels

Title: Goldman-Fristoe-Woodcock Test of Auditory Discrimination

Test Function: Tests auditory discrimination for speech sounds using a standardized tape recording and visual input(pictures)

Approx. Admin. Time: 10 Minutes (longer if child cannot identify pictures)

Age Range: All grade levels

1 Title: Parent Readiness Evaluation of Preschoolers (PREP)
(to be administered by diangostician or teacher only)

Test Function: To determine child's strengths and weaknesses in skills and abilities necessary for success in school. The test yields verbal, performance and total scores. The verbal subtests include general information, comprehension, opposites, identification, verbal associations, verbal description, listening and language. The performance subtests include concepts, motor coordination, visual motor association, visual interpretation and auditory and visual memory.

The Parent Handbook - Developing your Child's Skills and Abilities at Home is available. Used alone, it answers many parental questions related to helping children develop to their fullest potential for school readiness. Used in connection with PREP (see above) it becomes a resource to assist parents or teachers in helping the child develop specific needed skills and abilities.

Approx. Admin. Time: 1 Hour (two sessions - 30 - 45 minutes each)

Age Range: 3.9 to 5.8 years

DEMONSTRATION CENTER FOR LANGUAGE-HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

DESIGN OF THE EXPERIMENT

(TOTAL N=482)

	INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM A (N=216)			INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM B (N=144)			INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM C (N=50)			INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM D (N=72)		
	REGULAR TEACHER		AIDE	RESOURCE TEACHER		AIDE	TEACHER		AIDE	CONTROL		
	NO AIDE		APPRAISAL PROTOCOL	NO AIDE		APPRAISAL PROTOCOL	NO AIDE		APPRAISAL PROTOCOL	NO AIDE		
KINDERGARTEN (N=144)	ANDERSON	12	II	ANDERSON	12	II	JOHNSON	8	I	RAYMOND	20	
	ANDERSON	12	II	BETHUNE	12	II	JOHNSON	8	II	FRANCIS	4	
	ANDERSON	12	III	BETHUNE	12	III	JOHNSON	8	III			
THIRD GRADE (N=194)	OAKWILDE	12	II	BETHUNE	12	II	SPRING	8	I	COLONIAL HILLS	50	
	OAKWILDE	12	II	BETHUNE	12	II	SPRING	8	II			
	OAKWILDE	12	III	BETHUNE	12	III	SPRING	8	III			
SIXTH GRADE (N=144)	HAMBRICK JR.	12	II	BETHUNE	12	II	SPRING	8	I	HAMBRICK JR.	12	
	HAMBRICK JR.	12	II	BETHUNE	12	II	SPRING	8	II	INWOOD	8	
	HAMBRICK JR.	12	III	BETHUNE	12	III	SPRING	8	III	DREW JR.	4	

Attachment K

DEMONSTRATION CENTER FOR LANGUAGE--HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

Extended Design of the Experiment

Resource Teacher

Aide

K	Carroll	15
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Resource Teacher

No Aide

K	Orange Grove	15
3	Inwood	15
6	Drew Jr. High	15

INSERVICE PROGRAM EVALUATION FORM

Rate each item by circling the number that best indicated your response.

1. The manner in which this activity was organized and conducted:

Poor 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

2. The degree to which this activity was worthwhile and meaningful:

Poor 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

3. The potential application to your particular instructional program of the procedures, methods, materials and techniques presented:

Poor 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

4. The relative strengths and merits of the consultant:

Poor 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

5. The overall quality of the program based upon the extent to which it met your particular needs in this area of education:

Poor 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

6. The extent to which you feel the need for follow-up activities in this particular area of education:

Little 1 2 3 4 5 6 Excellent

Comments:

T H E L A N G U A G E C E N T E R
TEST EVALUATION FORM

1. Test Title: _____ Form _____ Subtest(s) Only _____
2. Test Administration:
☐ Group ☐ Individual
3. Test Function:
☐ Achievement ☐ Intelligence ☐ Language
4. Learning Channels:
☐ Visual ☐ Auditory ☐ Motor
5. Learning Processes:
☐ Receptive ☐ Associative ☐ Expressive
6. Standardization Norms:
☐ National ☐ Local
7. Number of tests administered:
 Date _____ Number _____ Level ☐ K ☐ 3 ☐ 6
8. Test Administrator:
☐ Classroom Teacher ☐ Resource Teacher ☐ Educational Diagnostician ☐ Other

DIRECTIONS: The purpose of this assessment is to establish a priority system for ranking the tests used in the Language Center project. Please mark the appropriate box beside each statement indicating whether you feel the statement to be generally true (T), generally false (F), or not applicable (NA). Additional comments about the test are invited.

T F NA VALIDITY

- ☐ ☐ ☐ --Test actually measures function reported in Item 3 above.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ --Test actually measures learning channel reported in Item 4 above.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ --Test actually measures learning processes reported in Item 5 above.

T F NA INSTRUCTIONS

- ☐ ☐ ☐--For the student--are clear, concise, easily understood
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Allows independent use by student
- ☐ ☐ ☐--For the examiner--are concise and easily followed
- ☐ ☐ ☐--For the examiner--necessitates special training above requirements stated on manual

CONTENT

- ☐ ☐ ☐--Meaningful to student--motivates reliable responses
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Contributed new information to examiner's understanding of student(s)

APPROPRIATENESS

- ☐ ☐ ☐--Content
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Interest Level
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Reading Level
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Vocabulary
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Format design appropriate for age, level, sex
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Expected responses relevant (creative responses do not penalize child)
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Time allotted for completing tasks
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Time units parallel school time units (43 min. = usual school unit)

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- ☐ ☐ ☐--Type size
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Color use
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Spatial design--print and illustrations allow instantaneous visual grouping of tasks
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Space enough to record responses
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Size is appropriate for age and/or level
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Forms and/or materials are easy to manipulate
- ☐ ☐ ☐--Forms are inclusive (necessitates minimum use of manual for administration)

T F NA PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

☐ ☐ ☐--Durability of materials

☐ ☐ ☐--Illustrations meaningful to student

☐ ☐ ☐--Time required to administer within range stated by manual

SCORING

☐ ☐ ☐--Easy to score

☐ ☐ ☐--Is objective

☐ ☐ ☐--Is subjective

☐ ☐ ☐--Scoring time within limits described in manual

☐ ☐ ☐--Scoring necessitates special training above requirements stated in manual

INTERPRETATION

☐ ☐ ☐--Possible by teacher

☐ ☐ ☐--Possible by diagnostician

☐ ☐ ☐--Necessitates psychologist or other

☐ ☐ ☐--Recommendation easy to derive from test results

☐ ☐ ☐--Manual contains adequate instructions for interpreting test results

Evaluator's Name: _____

School: _____ Date: _____

**Reading and Written Language Supplement
to
The Pupil Rating Scale: Scoring For Learning Disabilities
READING LANGUAGE**

Attachment N

SIGHT VOCABULARY	RATING
Extremely limited sight vocabulary	1
Limited sight vocabulary; fails to recognize words at grade level	2
Adequate reading vocabulary for age and grade	3
Above average sight vocabulary; recognizes words above age and grade level	4
High-level sight vocabulary; recognizes many abstract words	5
 WORD MEANING	
Unable to associate meaning with written word	1
Limited understanding of written word meanings; fails to grasp word meanings at grade level	2
Good grasp of printed and written word meaning at age and grade level	3
Understands all printed and written grade level words plus some higher level word meanings	4
Superior understanding of printed and written words; understands many abstract words	5
 READING COMPREHENSION	
Unable to grasp meaning of written words in context; fails to understand simple sentences	1
Limited understanding of written words in context; failure to grasp meaning of simple paragraphs	2
Adequate understanding of written sentences and paragraphs at age and grade level	3
Above average, comprehends all written material at grade level	4
Superior, comprehends higher grade level written sentences and paragraphs	5
 WORD ATTACK SKILLS	
Appears to have no organized method of word attack	1
Attempts word attack but at below age and grade level and with frequent errors	2
Exhibits adequate use of word attack skills for grade level	3
Above average, successfully uses word attack skills at grade level	4
Superior ability; automatic use of word attack skills at or above grade level	5

WRITTEN LANGUAGE

COPYING

RATING

Unable to correctly copy words from print or from blackboard; makes constant omissions, substitutions, reversals, inversions, or additions

1

Often has difficulty in copying printed or written words without error

2

Average; adequate for age and grade level

3

Above average; almost never makes an error

4

Exceptional; never makes an error

5

SPELLING

Unable to spell correctly; either misspells all dictated words or does not attempt to write them

1

Very poor speller; misspells most words at grade level

2

Adequate speller for age and grade level

3

Above average; correctly spells all grade level words as well as higher level words

4

Excellent; consistently spells at above grade level without error

5

LETTER FORMATION

Severe letter distortions; does not write or print legibly

1

Poor letter formation; most letters can be recognized

2

Adequate for age and grade level; usually prints and writes legibly

3

Above average; letters are formed naturally and with obvious ease

4

Outstanding; extraordinary penmanship

5

SPACING

Extremely poor spacing when writing; unable to follow letter guidelines or use page boundaries; inappropriate spacing between letters or words

1

Often writes outside letter guidelines; frequent variation in letter size or in spacing between letters and words

2

Average for age and grade level

3

Above average; spacing between letters and words and page lines is neat and shows little variation

4

Superior; margins are precise; size of letters are appropriate to letter guidelines and do not vary; spacing between letters, words are appropriate and consistent

5

SENTENCE FORMATION – PUNCTUATION

Always writes incomplete sentences with grammatical and punctuation errors

1

Frequently writes incomplete sentences, numerous grammatical and/or punctuation errors

2

Writes complete sentences; few errors in grade level grammar or punctuation

3

Above average sentence formation; rarely makes a grammatical or punctuation error at grade level

4

Superior; writes grammatically correct sentences and correctly punctuated sentences at above grade level

5

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING SEQUENCE

CT _____

RS _____

ED _____

Grade _____ School _____

Long Range Goals:

Cycle No Major Performance Objectives*	Classroom		Resource Room	
	Suggested Activities		Suggested Activities	

Facilitators

LEARNING FOR MASTERY STRATEGIES**Interim Performance Objectives**

Time Interval From _____ to _____ Teacher _____
Small Group _____ Grade _____
Individual _____

OBJECTIVES

(State the desired student performance that will take place in a given period of time in measurable terms.)

1

The interim performance objectives are the means for getting to the major performance objectives outlined in the Educational Planning Sequence.

PLANNED DAILY PROGRAM

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Content and Organization					
Method					
Materials and Equipment					
Aide					
Diagnostician					
Objectives Met _____					Objectives Not Completed _____

Comments:

Kindergarten Language Skills Checklist: Preliminary Screening

Name _____ Sex _____ Birth Date _____
 Teacher who recorded _____ Date _____
 School _____ Class Size _____

AUDITORY LANGUAGE	ADEQUATE	INADEQUATE
1. Understanding of vocabulary	_____	_____
2. Follows instructions	_____	_____
3. Answers questions after story is read.....	_____	_____
4. Draws picture of story just read	_____	_____
5. Remembers words, names, and number sequence	_____	_____
SPOKEN LANGUAGE		
6. Understood by others (articulation).....	_____	_____
7. Spoken vocabulary	_____	_____
8. Sentence structure (grammar)	_____	_____
9. Uses correct words to express self	_____	_____
10. Relates experiences.....	_____	_____
VISUAL PERCEPTION		
11. Discriminates likenesses and differences.....	_____	_____
12. Recognizes colors and shapes.....	_____	_____
13. Recalls correct design after distraction.....	_____	_____
14. Reproduces correct design after distraction.....	_____	_____
VISUAL MOTOR COORDINATION		
15. Coloring skills.....	_____	_____
16. Traces lines or simple pictures.....	_____	_____
17. Copies geometrical forms.....	_____	_____
18. Cuts with scissors.....	_____	_____
GENERAL		
19. Attention span	_____	_____
20. Social maturity.....	_____	_____
21. Hearing.....	_____	_____
22. Vision	_____	_____
23. Learning potential (circle one):		
Poor	Below Average	Average
	Above Average	Superior
24. Learning discrepancy (circle one):	YES	NO
25. Potential language handicap (circle one):	YES	NO

EXPLANATION OF ITEMS TO BE RATED

1. Comprehends meaning of words; understands what is said; rate child on level of understanding rather than spoken vocabulary.
2. Understands, remembers and carries out instructions.
3. Recalls details of story.
4. Relationship of drawing to what was read.
5. Memory of newly learned words and names; retention of learned number sequences.
6. Pronunciation of words; intelligible speech.
7. Richness of vocabulary; rate child on usage of nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, and sentence length.
8. Construction of sentences; inclusion and proper sequencing of pronouns, prepositions and verb tenses.
9. Ease in recalling the appropriate words for expressing thoughts.
10. Relates experiences in a logically and organized manner.
11. Understanding of concepts of likenesses and differences plus skill in distinguishing like from unlike objects and pictures.
12. Skill in recognizing basic colors and fundamental geometrical forms.
13. Memory of specific details and directionality in designs or pictures after a short period of distraction.
14. Reproduction of specific details and directionality of simple designs after a short period of distraction.
15. Control and manipulation of crayon; coloring within limits of design.
16. Accuracy and control; skill in staying on line while tracing designs or pictures.
17. Proportionate shape and directionality of reproduced designs; accuracy and control.
18. Finger dexterity and skill in manipulating scissors; accuracy of finished product.
19. Length of time devoted to a task without teacher reinforcement.
20. Extent of self-help skills, sense of responsibility, initiative, acceptance of others and by others, and cooperating behavior.
21. School nurse report of hearing after correction.
22. School nurse report of vision after correction.
23. Estimate child's potential for learning either through behavioral observation or testing and circle appropriate rating.
24. Is there a discrepancy between the pupil's learning potential and current performance in the classroom, i.e., is child functioning at or below his estimated learning potential?
25. Do you feel that the learning discrepancy (if any) between the child's learning potential and current level of performance will eventually develop into a language handicap without special instructional intervention?

THE LANGUAGE CENTER KINDERGARTEN
CLASS EVALUATION RECORD

SCHOOL _____

TEACHER _____

DATE _____

NAMES	AUDITORY LANGUAGE										SPOKEN LANGUAGE										VISUAL PERCEPTION										VISUAL-MOTOR COORDINATION										GENERAL SKILLS					
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30																
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Kindergarten Language Skills Checklist: For First-Grade Teacher

Name _____ Date _____

1. Circle all the activities the student has learned. Draw a line through all activities not presented.

Knows basic concepts:

on over under top middle bottom most few between beside
behind near far in out

Can say days of week:

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Can match colors:

red blue yellow orange purple green brown black white

Can name colors:

red blue yellow orange purple green brown black white

Can rote count:

5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75

Can match numerals:

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Can name numerals:

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Can construct sets:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Can say alphabet:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Can match capital letters:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Can name capital letters:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z







Can match small letters:

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

Can name small letters:

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

2. Insert number of each shape mastered in appropriate space.

Shapes: 1.  2.  3.  4.  5.  6.  7. All

Match _____ Name _____ Copy _____ Produce _____

3. Rate these behaviors: Good (G), Average (A), Poor (P), Not Presented (NP)

Eval. by Resource Room Teacher:

- _____ can sequence stories
- _____ can give opposites
- _____ can use sentences
- _____ can classify things
- _____ can make circle in right direction
- _____ can make stroke from top to bottom
- _____ can print first name
- _____ can give rhyming words
- _____ can identify likenesses and differences
- _____ can say several nursery rhymes or nursery play
- _____ can recognize name

Eval. by Classroom Teacher:

- _____ can finish work
- _____ classroom behavior
- _____ fine motor skills
- _____ attendance
- _____ can follow directions
- _____ attention span
- _____ relates to other children
- _____ gross motor skills
- _____ left to right progression

4. Additional Comments on back:

April, 1973

EVALUATION DESIGN

THE LANGUAGE CENTER: 1972-73

	INTERVENTION PROGRAM A REGULAR TEACHER		INTERVENTION PROGRAM B RESOURCE SPECIALIST		INTERVENTION PROGRAM C TEAM		CONTROL
	ONE YEAR OF INTERVENTION						
ONE YEAR OF INTERVENTION	K		Carroll (24) Johnson (24) Orange Grove (24) Spring-Ponderosa (24)			D ₁ Oakwilde (15) Raymond (15)	
	3	Oleson (24)	Inwood (24) Spring-Bammel (24)		Colonial Hills (27) Oakwilde (50)	D ₁ Francis (18) Mendel (12)	
	6		Aldine Jr. (24) Drew Jr. (24) Spring Middle (24)		Hambrick Jr. (40)	D ₁ Hambrick Jr. (30)	
TWO YEARS OF INTERVENTION	4	Oakwilde (24)	Carroll (24)		Colonial Hills (23)	D ₂ Francis (18) Mendel (6)	
	FOLLOW-UP A		FOLLOW-UP B		FOLLOW-UP C		
	FOLLOW-UP						
FOLLOW-UP	1	Anderson Bammel Bethune Colonial Hills Mendel	Carroll Johnson Orange Grove Ponderosa Spring			D ₂ Francis (4) Raymond (20)	
	4	Hidden Valley Oleson Orange Grove Raymond	Bammel Spring Inwood		Colonial Hills (23)	D ₂ Francis (18) Mendel (6)	
	7	Hambrick Jr. Stovall Jr.	Aldine Jr. Bammel Middle Drew Jr. Spring Middle			D ₂ Drew Jr. (4) Eisenhower Jr. (8) Hambrick Jr. (12)	

